OUR COMMUNITY WELLBEING STRATEGY

at a glance...

Our community wellbeing vision

CLARENCE... A CITY THAT VALUES WELLBEING

We will work with others to improve community wellbeing through providing and supporting access to services, programs and information, enhancing our natural and built environments and growing opportunities so everyone can enjoy our spaces and places and live well.



PLANNING AND PARTNERSHIPS

We promote wellbeing through planning and partnerships.

Key principles

- We will work with others to address issues that lead to wellbeing inequities.
- We will work with other organisations to understand community needs and partner with them to achieve shared objectives.
- We will work locally to combine the efforts of local organisations and communities, building capacity and resilience.



Why is this important?

We recognise that many policies and programs influence community wellbeing and that a whole of council approach can improve our effectiveness.

The work of many organisations can overlap and influence community wellbeing. Taking a broad view of these interacting systems increases the likelihood of success and maximises available resources.

We understand that local issues can be best addressed locally drawing on local strengths and opportunities.

SPACES AND PLACES

We strengthen the capacity of spaces and places to support community wellbeing.

Key principles

- We will build environments that support community wellbeing considering all ages and abilities.
- We will promote the connection between best-practice planning and design in achieving improved community wellbeing outcomes.



Why is this important?

Providing areas for our community to readily meet, play and connect is important to facilitating physical and mental activity. It provides for a vibrant community and one with a sense of place.

A safe physical environment is one of the key protective factors in contributing to good community wellbeing which supports our quality of life and functional independence.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR COMMUNITY WELLBEING

We expand opportunities for everyone to lead healthy and active lives.

Key principles

- We will make access and equity in wellbeing a focus for our community.
- We will work with communities to ensure their voices are heard.
- We will research what works well, what needs improvement and the best approach to deliver outcomes.



Why is this important?

The wellbeing of our communities is at the heart of our business.

Wellbeing is complex and we need to draw upon the latest research in addressing community wellbeing challenges.

Age, disability, gender, culture, sexuality, indigenous disadvantage and low income can lead to wellbeing inequities. It is important to provide support and services on an equitable and inclusive basis to all ages and, where appropriate, target groups to achieve improved outcomes.